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SUBJECT: SMI: TRAVEL OF SMITHSONIAN ANTHROPOLOGIST

E. RICHARD SORENSON

1. DR. E. RICHARD SORENSON, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL ANTHROPOLOGICAL FILM CENTER, IS TRAVELING OFFICIALLY TO COOK ISLANDS, NEW HEBRIDES, AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA TO DEVELOP RESEARCH FILM STUDIES ON VANISHING AND CHANGING CULTURES AND TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON EXISTING STUDIES.

2. COOK ISLANDS FEBRUARY 9-19. SORENSON WILL CONFER WITH MR. T. A. HENRY, GOCI ON THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING ANTHROPOLOGICAL FILM STUDIES.

3. NEW HEBRIDES FEBRUARY 19-22. SORENSON WILL CONFER WITH KEITH WOODWARD, DIRECTOR, CULTURAL CENTER, BRITISH RESIDENCY, PORT VILLA, TO FOLLOW UP ON AN OLD FILMING PROJECT DIRECTED BY SORENSON.

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4. PAPUA NEW GUINEA FEBRUARY 22-MARCH 1. SORENSON WILL CONFER WITH MR. MERRIAM, CHRISTIAN HIGHLANDS MISSION, OKAPA, AS A FOLLOW UP TO A RESEARCH PROJECT STARTED IN 1968.

5. SORENSON HAS RECEIVED OFFICIAL VISAS FOR THE NEW HEBRIDES AND PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

6. SORENSON MAY BE CALLING UPON THE EMBASSY AND CONSULATES FOR ASSISTANCE IF NECESSARY. SMI WILL APPRECIATE ANY SERVICES EXTENDED TO SORENSON WHICH THE EMBASSY MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE. KISSINGER

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